

IN THE CLAIMS

Kindly amend the claims, without prejudice, without admission, without surrender of subject matter, and without any intention of creating any estoppel as to equivalents, as follows:

1-10. (Canceled).

11. (New) A configuration method for an installation (1) comprising solar protection and/or lighting devices (3) controlled by a central unit (2) comprising a memory (22), computing means (21) and a user interface, wherein the method comprises the following steps:

a parameterization step comprising an iteration, over all of the solar protection and/or lighting devices (3), of at least one of the following phases:

- (a) entry and recording of data defining an exposure of an opening fitted with the solar protection device (3) with respect to the sun;
- (b) entry and recording of data defining a type of solar protection and/or lighting device; and
- (c) entry and recording of data defining the maximum desired depth of penetration of the sun into a building, and/or a desired visual comfort;

a step of iterative calculation over all of the solar protection and/or lighting devices (3), whereby for each device, coefficients for a control algorithm and/or a control algorithm, intended for the control of the device, are calculated on the basis of the data recorded in memory and of general information characterizing the different types of solar protection and/or lighting devices and contained in memory; and

a step, whereby the coefficients and/or the control algorithms are modified in order to manage conflicts and interactions between different devices.

12. (New) The configuration method as claimed in claim 11, wherein a single item of data defines the type of solar protection and/or lighting device.

13. (New) A configuration method for an installation (1) comprising solar protection and/or lighting devices (3) controlled by a central unit (2) comprising a memory (22), computing means (21) and a user interface, wherein the method comprises the following steps:

a parameterization step comprising an iteration, over all of the solar protection and/or lighting devices (3), of at least one of the following phases:

- (a) entry and recording of data defining an exposure of an opening fitted with the solar protection device (3) with respect to the sun;
- (b) entry and recording of data defining a type of solar protection and/or lighting device; and
- (c) entry and recording of data defining the maximum desired depth of penetration of the sun into a building, and/or a desired visual comfort;

a step of iterative calculation over all of the solar protection and/or lighting devices (3), whereby for each device, coefficients for a control algorithm and/or a control algorithm, intended for the control of the device, are calculated on the basis of the data recorded in memory and of general information characterizing the different types of solar protection and/or lighting devices and contained in memory; and

a step of duplicating the results of one or more of the preceding steps in order to generate the coefficients and/or the control algorithms of certain solar protection and/or lighting devices.

14. (New) The configuration method as claimed in claim 13, wherein a single item of data defines the type of solar protection and/or lighting device.

15. (New) An installation (1) comprising solar protection and/or lighting devices (3) controlled by a central unit (2) comprising a memory (22), computing means (21) and a user interface, wherein information relating to the types of solar protection and/or lighting devices (3) is stored in memory, the installation comprising means for implementing the method of claim 11.

16. (New) An installation (1) comprising solar protection and/or lighting devices (3) controlled by a central unit (2) comprising a memory (22), computing means (21) and a user interface, wherein information relating to the types of solar protection and/or lighting devices (3) is stored in memory, the installation comprising means for implementing the method of claim 13.

17. (New) A configuration method for an installation (1) comprising solar protection and/or lighting devices (3) controlled by a central unit (2) comprising a memory (22), computing means (21) and a user interface, wherein the method comprises an iteration, over all of the solar protection and/or lighting devices (3), of the following steps:

a parameterization step comprising the following phases:

- (a) entry and recording of data defining an exposure of an opening fitted with the solar protection device (3) with respect to the sun;
- (b) entry and recording of data defining a type of solar protection and/or lighting device; and
- (c) entry and recording of data defining the maximum desired depth of penetration of the sun into a building, and/or a desired visual comfort;

a calculation step, whereby for each device, coefficients for a control algorithm and/or a control algorithm, intended to control the device, are calculated on the basis of the data placed in memory during the parameterization step and of general information characterizing the different types of solar protection and/or lighting devices, and

a step, whereby the coefficients and/or the control algorithms are modified in order to manage conflicts and interactions between different devices.

18. (New) The configuration method as claimed in claim 17, wherein a single item of data defines the type of solar protection and/or lighting device.

19. (New) A configuration method for an installation (1) comprising solar protection and/or lighting devices (3) controlled by a central unit (2) comprising a memory (22), computing means (21) and a user interface, wherein the method comprises an iteration, over all of the solar protection and/or lighting devices (3), of the following steps:

a parameterization step comprising the following phases:

- (a) entry and recording of data defining an exposure of an opening fitted with the solar protection device (3) with respect to the sun;

- (b) entry and recording of data defining a type of solar protection and/or lighting device;
- (c) entry and recording of data defining the maximum desired depth of penetration of the sun into a building, and/or a desired visual comfort;

a calculation step, whereby for each device, coefficients for a control algorithm and/or a control algorithm, intended to control the device, are calculated on the basis of the data placed in memory during the parameterization step and of general information characterizing the different types of solar protection and/or lighting devices; and

a step of duplicating the results of one or more of the preceding steps in order to generate the coefficients and/or the control algorithms of certain solar protection and/or lighting devices.

20. (New) The configuration method as claimed in claim 19, wherein a single item of data defines the type of solar protection and/or lighting device.

21. (New) An installation (1) comprising solar protection and/or lighting devices (3) controlled by a central unit (2) comprising a memory (22), computing means (21) and a user interface, wherein information relating to the types of solar protection and/or lighting devices (3) is stored in memory, the installation comprising means for implementing the method of claim 17.

22. (New) An installation (1) comprising solar protection and/or lighting devices (3) controlled by a central unit (2) comprising a memory (22), computing means (21) and a user

interface, wherein information relating to the types of solar protection and/or lighting devices (3) is stored in memory, the installation comprising means for implementing the method of claim 19.